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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby submit the following Response to the Office action mailed on August 29, 2005. Please amend the application as follows hereafter.

Introductory Comments and Status of the Claims

In the Office action of August 29, 2005, restriction was required between the following claim sets:

1. Claims 1-6 and 12-15, drawn to a method of treating animals;
2. Claims 8 and 16-18, drawn to a method of treating plants; and
3. Claims 19-23, drawn to a method of treating inanimate surfaces.

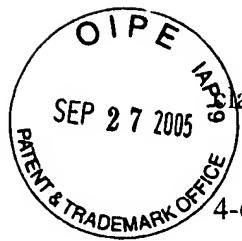
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Claims 7, and 9-11 were noted as being linking claims linking the inventions of claim sets 1, 2, and 3.

In a telephone conference with Examiner John Pak on September 23, 2005, claims 4-6 were clarified as being in claim set 3 rather than claim set 1.

Applicant hereby elects claim set 3, claims 4-6 and 19-23, without traverse, for prosecution in this action. Claim sets 1 and 2, comprising claims 1-3, 8 and 12-18, are withdrawn pending resolution of the patentability of linking claims 7 and 9-11.